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TO AMEMBASSY TOKYO

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INFO COMUSJAPAN YOKOTA AB

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COMFLEACTS OKINAWA

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CINCPAC FOR POLAD

UNCLAS NAHA 317

E.O. 11652: NA

TAGS: MARR, JA

SUBJECT: SELF-IMMOLATION INCIDENT

REF: NAHA 316

SUMMARY: THE BELATED PRESS COVERAGE OF THE SELF-IMMOLATION
INCIDENT AT THE USAF KADENA GATE HAS BEEN RELATIVELY RESTRAINED.
THE POLICE HAVE IDENTIFIED THE SUICIDE AS A SEKIGUN ACTIVIST,

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AND ARE CONCERNED AT THIS ORGANIZATION'S DEBUT IN OKINAWA. END
SUMMARY.

1. THE SELF-IMMOLATION INCIDENT IN FRONT OF THE USAF KADENA
GATE ON THE EVENING OF JUNE 25 FINALLY HIT THE PAPERS MORNING
JUNE 27, RECEIVING HEAVY BUT INNER-PAGE AND SOMEWHAT RESTRAINED
COVERAGE. THE RYUKYU SHIMPO DID ADD THE GRISLY HEADLINE "FROM
THE MIDDLE OF THE FLAMES, THE CRY: 'PREVENT THE CROWN PRINCE'S
VISIT TO OKINAWA'."

2. THE POLICE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT THE DEAD MAN WAS SHUJI
FUNAMOTO, A RED ARMY (SEKIGUN) ACTIVIST AND MEMBER OF THE
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KAMAGASAKI JOINT STRUGGLE COUNCIL INVOLVED WITH THE POLITICAL

ORGANIZATION OF TOKYO SLUM DWELLERS. FUNAMOTO WAS WANTED BY POLICE FOR INVOLVEMENT IN BOMB INCIDENTS IN CHIBA AND ELSEWHERE. THE PRESS REPORTS THE POLICE ARE PARTICULARLY CONCERNED AT THIS INDICATION THE SEKIGUN HAVE ENTERED OKINAWA AND ARE INVOLVED WITH OTHER RADICALS IN THE EFFORTS AGAINST THE CROWN PRINCE'S VISIT. THE POLICE ARE NOW QUESTIONING A YOUNG MAN WHO HAS ADMITTED SHELTERING FUNAMOTO HERE, BUT NOTHING MORE HAS DEVELOPED.

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